Documentation

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2. Project Description

For our project we originally had a text-based strategy game, to be run in the console in mind. This proved to be too exciting of a prospect, and we were unable to restrain ourselves from adding too many cool features. This idea was shelved for another time.

Our design pivoted to a simpler text-based game like Zork¹. We discussed what the story should be and settled on a game where you have to escape from TBZ. Each level is a floor and each floor gets you one step closer to the exit on the ground floor. Then some doors will be locked and you must look around the place to find keys and other items as well as talk to NPCs (Non Player Characters). Our next thought was to give the player a "hunger" and "thirst" meter. If either one reaches zero, the player dies and must start the level again. The meters are replenished by eating and drinking assorted food the player finds around TBZ, but one shouldn't be too quick to drink all that water. If your "urine" meter fills to 100%, then you will wet yourself and none of the NPCs will want to talk to you and

¹ http://textadventures.co.uk/games/play/5zyoqrsugeopel3ffhz_vq

you could be blocked from progressing. To reduce the "urine" meter, the player must find a bathroom in which to relieve themselves.

3. Milestones

3.1. Project Planning

The first milestone will be reached upon having created all UML diagrams and the test-cases. This milestone marks the beginning of practical progress. Before this point no code will have been written yet. Although, after this milestone, some elements of the diagrams may change in accordance with the projects progress.

3.2. Classes Created and Tested

This milestone will be reached once all classes have been written, have their full functionality and have been unit-tested. This milestone means the bulk of the project is complete. Only the integration testing and bug-fixing is left of practical work on the project.

3.3. Testing Complete

This milestone will be reached when all the integration tests are completed. This means that the application itself is complete and fully functional. At this point the only remaining work is finalising the documentation.

3.4. Project Complete

This milestone will be reached after all previous milestones have been reached and the project's documentation is complete and accurate. The only work after this milestone is popping the champagne.

4. UML Class Diagram



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5. UML Sequence Diagram



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6. UML Use Case Diagram



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7. Use Cases

UC01 - Enter Command

Actor

Player

Basic Flow

The player enters text into the console and presses the carriage return key. If the command matches a command in the system, then the command is executed. If the command doesn't match any known command, then the player is informed, that this command wasn't recognised.

If the action made the player perform something, i.e move, use or pickup, then two points are taken off their "thirst" meter and one point is taken from their "hunger" meter.

Preconditions

The game has been started and the player has made it past the mainmenu.

Termination

The player has performed an action in the game or are informed, why this could not be performed.

UC02 - Move Player

Actor

Player

Basic Flow

The player enters the move or mv command into the console with a single argument that is either n, north, w, west, e, east, s or south. If the syntax is correct and there exists an open path between the current room and the room in the direction provided, then the player will be moved to the room in the given direction. If such a movement is not possible, then the user is informed that they are unable to move in that direction.

Preconditions

The player must be in a level and in a room with an open path to an adjacent room.

Termination

The player is now in the room in the direction that they selected from the first room.

UC03 - Pick up Item

Actor

Player

Basic Flow

The player enters the pick-up or pu command into the console with a single argument. This argument must be the name of an item in the room. If the named item exists in the room, then it is removed from the room and put into the player's inventory. If the Item cannot be found in the current room, the player is informed, that no such item exists.

Preconditions

The player must be in a room that has at least one item in it.

Termination

The item is no longer present in the room and has been added to the user's inventory.

UC04 - Consume Item

Actor

Player

Basic Flow

The player enters the eat, drink or cs command into the console with a single argument. This argument must be the name of a consumable item in the player's inventory. If the player has this item and the item is consumable, then the item is consumed and the user's "thirst", "hunger" and "urine" meters are updated accordingly. If the user does not posess the named item, then they are informed thusly. If the item they do name is owned, but not consumable, then they are told, they consume the given item.

Preconditions

The user has a consumable item in their inventory.

Termination

The item is removed from the user's inventory and their necessity meters are updated accordingly.

UC05 - Interact with Interactable

Actor

Player

Basic Flow

The player enters the use, interact, uo or the in command into the console with two arguments. The format of the command is:

use <item> on/with <interactable object

If the player has the named item in their inventory and the interactable object exists inside the current room, then the interaction takes place. Otherwise, the player is simply informed that they are unable to perform this interaction.

Preconditions

The player is in a room with at least one interactable object and have at least one item in their inventory.

Termination

The item is no longer in the user's inventory and the interaction takes place.

UC06 - Get Help

Actor

Player

Basic Flow

The user enters the help or? command into the console. Upon executing this command, the console will display a list of all currently available commands as well as a list of their necessary arguments. If the user enters the command with an argument, a more in-depth explaination is outputted along with some examples of how to use that specific command.

Preconditions

The user must be able to enter commands and be at least past the main menu.

Termination

The user is given the information they requested.

8. Unit Test Cases

9. Integration Test Cases

10. Work Journal

10.1. Day-1

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We began by Setting up our documentation method. In our case, we decide to use Asciidoc, as we'd rather not spend our time styling the documentation, when it can all be automated with some basic tools. Not to mention the single simple text format can be exported to many different document types such as PDF, HTML and DocBook. This means we would also have the option of hosting our documentation as a website.

Next we began making the UML diagrams. We both discussed the class structure and what we would need to store the level structure and item information. Once again, we had many good ideas to add, but reeled in our ambitions for the first version and decided to add the new features later in a version 2.0 if we got the time.

Once we had the class diagram, we split up to work on the use-case and sequence diagrams. Amin began writing the use-cases and created a diagram, that we both agreed, protrayed our project faithfully. (Although both our experience with UML is rather limited)

Sam then did some research on sequence diagrams and got to work creating them. At first we weren't quite sure how to visualise conditionality in the diagram, but we eventually got the hang of using alternate paths.

Finally, we were finished with most of the planning stage and planned to start programming next time.